

# Parabolic hyperbolic systems: lack of null-controllability in small time

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**Question**

Are these systems observable (equivalently: null-controllable) in  $\omega \subset \mathbb{T}$ ?

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## Transport-like solutions

If  $\lambda_{nk} \sim i\mu_k/n$ , and  $y_{nk}$  is an associated eigenvector

$$y(t, x) = \sum_n a_n e^{inx - n^2 \lambda_{nk} t} y_{nk} \simeq \sum_n a_n e^{in(x - \mu_k t)} y_k$$

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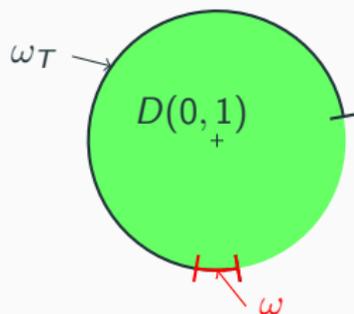
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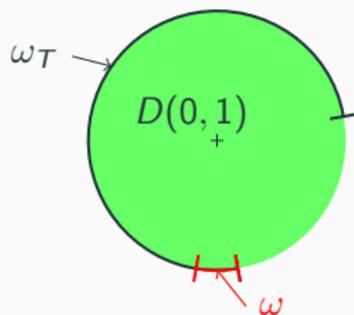
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# To the parabolic-hyperbolic systems

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# Parabolic hyperbolic systems as a perturbation of transport equation

All the answers in: Kato, **Perturbation Theory for Linear Operators**.

- Eigenvalues of  $B + \frac{i}{n}A$ :  $\lambda_{nk} = i\mu_k/n + \rho_k(n)/n^2$  with  $\rho_k(z) = \mathcal{O}(1)$
- (Generalized) eigenvectors:  $y_{nk} = y_k(n)$  with  $y_k(z) = y_k + o(1)$
- (Possible branch point at  $\infty$ )
- Particular solution:

$$y(t, x) = \sum a_n e^{in(x - \mu_k t)} \underbrace{e^{-t\rho_k(n)} y_k(n)}_{\text{error term}}$$

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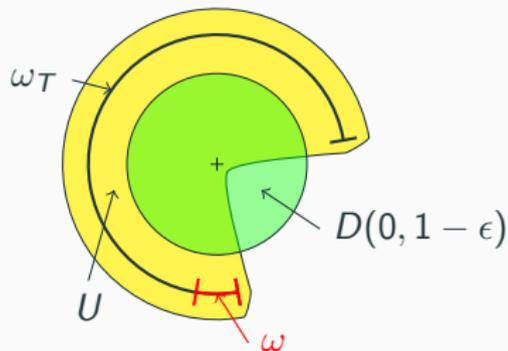
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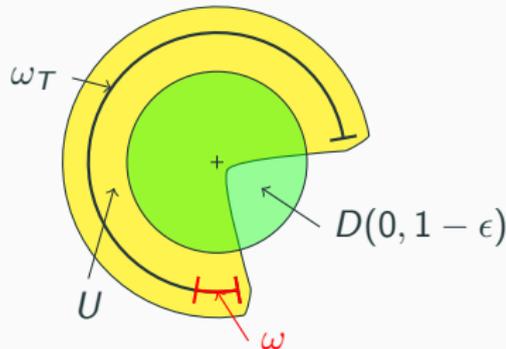
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